Indian Country Tourism Region

Timeline

FY17

May – Senate Bill 309 signed by Governor Bullock

FY18

- October Meeting and signing of MOU between STEDC and TAC
- December Initial disbursement of bed tax collections to Indian Tourism Region
- April Carla Lott hired as first Tribal Tourism Officer (funded via Commerce)

FY19

- February Carla Lott resigns
- March Montana: Explore Indian Country guidebook released
- June Dan Iverson hired as second Tribal Tourism Officer

FY20

February – Tribal Tourism Montana Strategic Plan, FY20–21 released

Guidebook Distribution (Bulk + Individual Requests) to Date

FY19			FY20							
Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
22,494	365	1,447	791	581	565	1,055	396	6	240	1,605

TOTAL: 29,545 of 92,500 (plus digital downloads of 4,158)

Bed Tax Collections, 2018-19*

County	2018	2019	% Change
Big Horn	\$181,248	\$175,078	-3%
Glacier	\$810,780	\$878,530	+8%
Roosevelt	\$58,634	\$61,094	+4%
Blaine	\$13,546	\$14,708	+9%
Rosebud	\$64,492	\$76,316	+18%
Lake	\$330,001	\$334,518	+1%
Hill	\$236,530	\$235,061	-1%
Chouteau	\$33,100	\$32,915	-1%
Pondera	\$27,421	\$29,710	+8%
Phillips	\$59,125	\$54,324	-8%
Valley	\$174,747	\$168,511	-4%

^{*}Represents the 11 counties with a percentage of American Indian population greater than or equal to the state average.

Summary of Indian Country Marketing Campaigns to Date (March 6, 2020)

Fiscal Year	Title/Description	Key Performance Indicators	
FY18	Paid Facebook Awareness Campaign Video and carousel units. Drove traffic to Indian Country page on VISITMT.COM.	 850,000 impressions 178,000 video views 6,500+ clicks 	
FY18	Historical Landmarks Facebook Canvas Facebook Canvas ad promoting historical landmarks and activities across the state. Canvas featured three Indian Country topics.	 2.8 million impressions 537,000 video views 28,000+ clicks 16,739 reactions 	
FY18	Crow Fair Facebook Live Event Visit Montana (in partnership with the Crow Tribe) gave Facebook fans the opportunity to experience the 100th Crow Fair.	 2.8 million impressions 962,000 video views 5,000+ reactions 	
FY18	Joint Venture Program – National Geographic Digital ads ran on National Geographic. Included multiple banner ad sizes and video.	1.9 million impressions5,582 clicks	
FY18	From Powwows to Battlefields PR Newswire Release Release featured: 100th Anniversary of Crow Fair, Rocky Boy's Annual Powwow, Nez Perce National Historic Trail, Battle of Little Bighorn Reenactment.	 82.2 million impressions 240 total pickups 10 engagements 	
FY18	Video Episode: Racing with Tradition Sarah Munjal travels to Montana with her three children to see Indian Relay. Footage included the Indian Relay championships in Billings and tribal leaders discussing the Native American history of Montana, Billings and Rimrocks	Content production only; see associated promotions below	
FY18	Video Episode Paid Facebook Ads	 4,677,371 impressions 986,053 video views 13,846 clicks 	
FY18	Video Episode Earned Media Promotion	 PR Newswire release: 79,986,501 impressions Blog sponsorship (Y Travel): 1 million+ impressions 	

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FY19	Joint Venture Campaign – Digital Banner ad campaign with Sojern.	• 3.5 million+ impressions • 3,000+ clicks
FY19	Indian Country Guidebook Promotion Facebook campaign to drive traffic to the Indian Country Guidebook. Video ad.	 million impressions 17,000+ guidebook views
FY19	Facebook Awareness Campaign Ran video and carousel unit ads.	• 3 million+ impressions • 5,000+ clicks
FY19	Joint Venture Campaign – Parents Magazine Advertorial ad included in Parents guidebook April issue.	• Circulation of 600,000
FY19	Eastern Montana Initiative Indian Country featured prominently in Eastern Montana marketing materials	30 million+ impressions
FY20	Joint Venture Campaign – Digital Banner ad campaign with Sojern	4 million guaranteed impressions
FY20	Joint Venture Campaign – Parents Magazine Advertorial ad included in Parents guidebook April issue.	• Circulation of 600,000
FY20	Dallas Outdoor Program 8-week program; 10 digital billboards; part of a larger direct flight campaign	4.5 million+ impressions
FY20	Smithsonian Digital Promotion Two videos, two articles, and 100-150 photography assets	 370.4k guaranteed impressions 1.43 million estimated impressions